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Inspection Report

Minerals Regulatory Program

October 24, 2007

Supervisor 

Mine Name: Georgia-Pacific Gypsum Quarry
Operator Name: Georgia Pacific Corp

Permit number: M/041/009
Inspection Date: September 28, 2007
Time: 8:30 am

Inspector(s): Lynn Kunzler, DOGM
Other Participants: None
Mine Status: Inactive

Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Deleterious Material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Concurrent Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls,	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Soils	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Revegetation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Purpose of Inspection:

Routine inspection made to check status of revegetation efforts while in the area.


Inspection Summary:

Revegetation at the South Quarry was evaluated. BLM had recently inspected the site and felt that DOGM's previous assessment of the vegetation was inaccurate. Vegetation along the reclaimed access road was still poor. However, much of the quarry area had desirable vegetation that would meet revegetation success criteria. Average ground cover over the entire quarry area was still below the 70% standard. Another year growth may be sufficient to meet standards.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

While the revegetation at the quarry is progressing favorably, the access road may need re-seeding to meet the success criteria.

Continue to monitor this site when in the area.

Inspector's Signature 

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